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Thieves in Carlsbad Steal Patio Furniture

Carlsbad, CA – The City of Carlsbad Police Department is asking the public to keep an eye out for thieves stealing patio furniture and other property from the front patios and yards of Carlsbad residences.

The Carlsbad Police Department first started to notice the trend in July, 2011. Since that time there are possibly 30 cases attributed to the thieves. Carlsbad Police Investigations Sergeant Pascual noted, "We need the community to be the eyes and ears of their neighborhood, reporting all suspicious activity when it is taking place. Also, it important to be a good a witness, noting information like license plate numbers, vehicle descriptions and directions of travel."

The City of Carlsbad is 42.1 square miles and the thieves have moved throughout the city in a random pattern making it hard to predict where they will be next. The best way to catch the thieves is for an alert community member to notice the suspicious activity and make a phone call to Carlsbad Police, 24 hours a day, when they see the activity. The phone number to call for suspicious activity is 760-931-2197 and 9-1-1 for a crime in progress.

In the meantime, use caution when leaving items like patio furniture, bicycles, yard art and other items unsecured on the front patio and in the front yard of your residence. Unsecured and unmonitored property creates an opportunity for crime whether it is on the front porch, in your vehicle or in an open garage.

For more crime prevention information go to the City of Carlsbad's Website at: www.carlsbadca.gov/crime-prevention and remember to follow the on Facebook and Twitter.

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